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SUBJECT: BAN ON KSV

1. DECISION ON BANNING OF KOMMUNISTISCHER STUDENTEN VERBAND IS HOTLY CONTESTED INSIDE B/W GOVERNMENT. TWO SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT EXIST, AS USUAL. ONE FAVORS BAN AS NECESSARY SHOW OF POLITICAL DETERMINATION IN FACE OF PUBLIC DEMAND FOR LAW AND ORDER. OTHER FAVORS NO BAN, AS LEAVING IT LOOSE MAKES SURVEILLANCE RELATIVELY TINY GROUP EASIER AND REDUCES POLARIZATION RISK OF NAIVE STUDENTS JOINING DEMONSTRATIONS ON MISTAKEN SENSE OF "FAIRNESS".

2. RESULT IS DELAY IN DECISION. MATTER BEING CONSIDERED IN CABINET DECEMBER 18.

3. DEMONSTRATIONS IN HEIDELBERG BY KSV ADHERENTS RELATIVE FAILURE DECEMBER 12. ONLY HANDFUL SYMPATHIZERS SHOWED UP. EQUALLY FEEBLE SHOW IN TUBINGEN. NO OTHER OF SEVEN B/W
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UNIVERSITIES OPENLY AFFECTED SO FAR.

4. COMMENT: OUR ESTIMATE IS KSV WILL NOT BE BANNED OUT-
RIGHT IN B/W BUT VERBAL HARD LINE WILL BE TAKEN BY CABINET
AND FULL AUTHORITY OF NEW UNIVERSITY LAW, WHICH GIVES WIDE
"ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS" TO RECTORS, WILL BE APPLIED ON " CASE
BY CASE BASIS" TO CONTAIN AND TO ISOLATE KSV ELEMENTS. RUCHTI

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